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ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Brumfield, James....Gastonia, N. C.
Brindle, J H.....Lattimore, "
Bridges, E J..... " "
Bridges, J M.....Shelby, "
Devany, J V..... " "
Dixon, T..... " "
Ebeltoft, T W..... " "
Elam, P R....King's Mountain, "
Felmet, C F.....Waco, "
Hamrick, G P.....Shelby, "
Hawkins, R N.....Sharon, N. C.
Huntley, W B.....Henrietta, "
Irwin, A C.....Shelby, "
Limrick, R L..... " "
Leatherman, J F.,Hull's X Roads, "
Moss, N H.....Cherryville, "
Mullinax, T H.....Grover, "
Poston, R.....Shelby, "
Webb, G M..... " "

LICENTIATES.

Blanton, Crowell, Boil'g Springs, N C
Bridges. Geo W....New House, "
Green, John...Boiling Springs, "
Hopper, C F.....Blacksburg, S C
Taylor, L G L.....Sharon, N C
Wright, Perry....Beam's Mills, N C
Wilson, C C.....Shelby, "

BOARD OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

T. D. LATTIMORE.....Shelby, N. C.
E. J. LOVELACE.....Shelby, "
J. S. WRAY.....Shelby, "

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Call to Order by the Moderator, if present; if he is not present, by the Clerk.
3. Reading letters of churches and enrolling names of delegates.
4. Election of officers, viz: Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.
5. Appointment of committee on Religious Exercises.
6. Call for churches to become members of the Association.
7. Call for letters and messengers from other associations.
8. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
9. Appointment of committees as follows: (1) Temperance; (2) Religious Literature; (3) Sunday Schools and Colportage; (4) Education; (5) State Missions; (6) Home and Indian Missions; (7) Foreign Missions; (8) Baptist Orphanage; (9) Union Meetings; (10) Finance; (11) Obituaries; (12) Ministerial Support.
10. Appoint messengers to corresponding associations and to the Baptist State Convention, and a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.
11. Call for reports from committees in the order in which they were appointed.
12. Appoint time and place of next meeting, and preacher of the Introductory Sermon.
13. Treasurer's Report.
14. Business matters or questions laid over from previous meeting; new business, motions, resolutions, &c.
15. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

The King's Mountain Baptist Association held its thirty-ninth annual session with the Zion Baptist Church, six miles northwest of Shelby, in the year 1890, from Sept. 25th to the 28th, inclusive.

Introductory sermon by Rev. J. A. Speight.

Recess for one hour.

The Association re-assembled in the church at 1.40 P. M. Prayer by Rev. G. W. Rollins.

The Moderator called the body to order and appointed Brethren James L. Webb and E. B. Hamrick as reading clerks.

List of churches called, letters read and delegates enrolled.

Beaver Dam.—J. D. McSwain, E. S. Glascoe, D. B. Green, L. S. Hamrick, C. C. Hamrick and E. L. Jenkins.

Bethel.—M. L. Hamrick, Amos Hamrick and C. B. Pannel.

**Bethlehem.*—T W Harmon, J F Herndon, John Seams and C S Elam.

Big Springs.—W P Withrow, J H Clark, W S Lattimore and J B Lattimore.

Boiling Springs.—E B Hamrick, Noah Hamrick, O N Hamrick, B H Bridges, C J Hamrick and D S Lovelace.

Buffalo.—W D Gaston, R E Porter, A F Moore and W D Camp.

Carpenter's Grove.—J Z Falls and J C Mull.

Concord.—W H Martin, G T Bostic, A A Smart, Marion J Green and J B Harrell.

Corinth.—J A Wray and Wade Smith.

Dallas.—C S Stowe.

**Double Springs.*—E J Lovelace, B Hamrick, C A Hamrick, W W Washburn, G W Hamrick and C I Blanton.

Elizabeth.—P D Wilson, Aaron Mauney, I B Allen and G W Kendrick.

Fair View.—J P Whisnant and Aaron Brandle.

Gastonia.—J D Brumfield.

Grover.—J L Bridges, F H Bridges and W C Bostic.

Henrietta.—J H Hamrick.

High Shoals.—Wm Walker, J M Goode, Jr., J B Thorn and Aaron Wall.

Leonard's Fork.—M O Carpenter and C D Weaver.

**Long Creek.*—Henry Dilling, Henry L Jenkins, Alberry Jenkins and Alberry Huffman.

**Mt. Harmony.*—B W Toney, J H Brooks, H T Gettys, C Yelton and J E Hollifield.

Mt. Olivet.—F Blanton and O A Hamrick.

Mt. Pleasant.—J E Jolly, J R Jolly, W B Moore, E Roberts, S P Green.

Mt. Sinai.—J M R Blanton and Frances Moore.

Mt. Vernon.—F J Leatherman, G W Mode and J W Wright.

Mt. Zion.—E R Wellmon, D K Tate, F P Wacaster and S L Dellinger.

New Bethel.—T J Dixon, S W Elam, J M London and H F Schenck.

New Hope.—A E Bettis, A I Borders, E P Roberts, G L Pruett and P M Gibbons.

New Prospect.—Bailey Eskridge, David Mauney, E Hamrick, Rufus Allen, J L Ledford and John Cline.

Patterson's Grove.—I A McGill and L D Putnam.
Pleasant Grove.—Q M Ledford, J A Stroup, A D Hamrick and R W Gardner.
Pleasant Hill.—J A Roberts, Hugh Borders and M L Putnam.
**Ross' Grove.*—A P Spake, D W Blanton and A J Dedmon.
Sandy Plains.—J D Bridges, J G Davis, A G Wiggins, J C Bridges and J P Walker.
Sandy Run.—W B Stroud, B B Harris, J H Beam, J E McBrayer, D A F Hamrick, W A Martin and W B Lovelace.
Shady Grove—R B Hicks and N D Mauney.
Shelby.—T D Lattimore, J S Wray. S E Bostick, J L Webb, M N Hamrick and J F Williams.
Union.—William B Bridges and B F Powel.
Waco.—W G Lindsey and J A Black.
**Walls*—M L Beam, C B Walker, W T Davis and Robert Dycus.
Zion.—A J Irvin, J D Weathers and A G Weathers.
Zion Hill—.....
**Zoar.*—L G L Taylor, M O McEntire, A R Putnam and J M Putnam.
[* Did not report until Friday, on account of rain.]

The Moderator announced, as the first item of business, the election of officers and appointed M. N. Hamrick, J. S. Wray and R. W. Gardner as tellers of election.

On motion of Rev. J. M. Bridges, the present officers, to-wit: H. F. Schenck, Moderator; D. S. Lovelace, Clerk, and T. D. Lattimore, Treasurer, were re-elected by acclamation,

The Moderator called for churches wishing to become members of this body. King's Mountain, a newly constituted church, responded with the following delegates: P. P. Hoke and S. J. Poteat.

Revs. G. M. Webb, G. W. Rollins and G. P. Hamrick were appointed to examine the articles of faith of said church and report.

The Moderator called for corresponding messengers and visiting ministers and brethren.

Rev. T. Bright was received as messenger from the Green River Association, Rev. J. A. Speight representing the "Biblical Recorder."

The following committees were announced:

Temperance—A C Irvin, J H Clark and E B Hamrick.
Religious Literature—J A Speight, J A Stroup and J R Dixon.
Sunday Schools and Colportage—P R Elam, W B Stroud and T J Dixon.
Education—G P Hamrick, J E McBrayer and S E Bostick.
State Missions—A P Hollifield, M N Hamrick and B H Bridges.
Home and Indian Missions—G M Webb, J Z Falls, Jr., and M L Putnam.
Foreign Missions—F C Hickson, T D Lattimore and Q M Ledford.

The committee appointed to investigate the faith and practice of the new church at King's Mountain, reports that they find the same orthodox. On motion, said church

was received into this body and her delegates were invited to seats with us.

With a view to organizing a new Association; the following churches asked for and obtained letters of dismission, namely: Bethel, Concord, Fairview, Henrietta, High Shoals. Mt. Olivet, Mt. Pleasant, Sandy Run and Union. Said letters were granted, on condition that the delegates thereof remain with us until the close of present session.

A motion pending to establish a county line association, on motion, the body adjourned.

Prayer by Bro. Rollins.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association opened with prayer by Rev. Z. D. Harrell at 9.30 A. M.

The Moderator called for churches not reported yesterday. Bethlehem, Zoar, Ross' Grove, Long Creek, Walls, Double Springs and Mt. Harmony responded, (as shown by preceding list of churches).

The invitation to visiting brethren was renewed, when Rev. C. Durham, Corresponding Secretary, and Bro. J. H. Mills, representing the Baptist Orphanage, responded.

On motion, the matter of establishing a county line association was made a special order for to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

A letter of dismission was granted to Big Springs church.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

While we as Baptists profess to be the friends of Temperance, we fear there is not prompt action on our part to characterize us as such. The great evil is abroad in our land and in our homes. It even pervades our churches. This being the case, we do earnestly and with brotherly love recommend to each member of the churches within the bounds of this Association, to discontinue the use, sale and manufacture of intoxicating drinks. "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink;" for he that hath not the qualities of temperance cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

Submitted by the committee.

A. C. IRVIN,
J. H. CLARK,
E. B. HAMRICK.

Remarks by Revs. A. C. Irvin, R. L. Limrick and F. C. Hickson. On motion, the above report on Temperance was adopted.

[Committee on Religious Exercises announced preach-

ing at the stand, in the grove, by Rev. T. Bright, at 11 o'clock A. M.]

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We are living in a progressive age, and along with this development the religious newspaper is helping to spread the Truth over the earth. Your committee would urge our people to read our religious journals and thus become familiar with the work of the Lord, both at home and abroad. We commend to the members of our churches the "Biblical Recorder," which is the organ of the Baptist churches of North Carolina. It is sound in doctrine, progressive in spirit, and is alive to all the interests of the cause of Christ, at home and abroad. We also commend "Charity and Children," and the "Foreign Mission Journal."

J. A. SPEIGHT,
J. A. STROUP,
J. R. DIXON.

Remarks by Revs. J. A. Speight, G. M. Webb, J. M. Bridges, C. Durham, A. C. Irvin, R. N. Hawkins, Z. D. Harrell, and Brethren J. H. Mills and B. H. Bridges. On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON S. S. AND COLPORTAGE.

Your committee on Sunday Schools and Colportage beg leave to express their thanks for the progress that has been made on this line of christian work within the last few years, and yet our schools are not what they ought to be. Many families are without the Bible, or any other good book to feed the mind with wholesome food, while trash and cheap novels can be found in almost every home. Therefore we, as christians, ought to make greater efforts to carry on our Sunday School and Colportage work.

Respectfully submitted.

P. R. ELAM,
THOMAS J. DIXON.
W. B. STROUD.

Remarks by Revs. F. C. Hickson and C. Durham. On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, adjourned for one hour.

EVENING SESSION.

The committee on State Missions reported as follows:

Great has been the progress of Baptist principles in North Carolina since the year 1784. In that year we had but few churches, few ministers, and but little more than three thousand communicants. We now have not less than two hundred and twenty thousand. The Mission work has accomplished much since the first Missionary Board was organized in 1803. To-day almost one-third of the population of the state is Baptist in sentiment. We may attribute this to missionary effort; but while much has been and is being done, there is yet much to be done. There are many places in the state calling for the Truth as we hold it. We are well able to occupy these destitute sections. Brethren, let us try to exercise the spirit, to go up and possess these lands. Sympathy only for those who are destitute of Baptist principles, is not enough. We must not only possess fellow-feeling, but fellow-suffering. This subject should claim the attention of every member of this Association. Every son and daughter of the state should have an opportunity of hearing the Gospel as we believe it. We, as good and moral citizens, and especially christians, are bound to give them this opportunity, or prove ourselves unfaithful stewards of our Lord and Master.

A. P. HOLLIFIELD,
M. N. HAMRICK,
B. H. BRIDGES.

The following pledges were made for State missions:

Shelby	$30 00	Mount Harmony	$ 1 00
Boiling Springs	10 00	Mount Vernon	1 00
New Bethel	15 00	Mount Zion	4 00
Double Springs	10 00	New Hope	4 00
Elizabeth	10 00	Patterson's Grove	2 00
Long Creek	5 00	Pleasant Grove	4 00
New Prospect	6 00	Pleasant Hill	2 00
Beaver Dam	4 00	Ross' Grove	3 00
Bethlehem	5 00	Shady Grove	2 00
Corinth	2 00	Waco	4 00
Dallas	5 00	Zion	5 00
Gastonia	10 00	King's Mountain	2 00
Grover	4 00		
Zoar	3 00	Total	$154 00
Leonard's Fork	1 00		

A cash collection was taken for State missions, as follows:

A C Irvin	$1 00	J D Brumfield	1 00
W B Stroud	1 00	M N Hamrick	1 00
E J Lovelace	1 00	J F Williams	1 00
Z D Harrell	1 00	Samuel Poston	1 00
R N Hawkins	1 00	P R Elam	1 00
B H Bridges	1 00	A G Weathers	1 00
T D Lattimore	1 00	G M Webb	50
F C Hickson	1 00	S E Bostick	1 00
J L Webb	1 00	John Bridges	1 00
J H Hamrick	1 00	A P Hollifield	1 00
A P Spake	50	G T Bostick	1 00
G W Hamrick	1 00	T Dixon	1 00
E B Hamrick	1 00	D Weathers	1 00
T W Harmon	50	H F Schenck	1 00
Aaron Wall	1 00	W D Gaston	1 00
I A McGill	50	G P Hamrick	1 00
W P Wilson	25	Mrs E J Lovelace	2 50
C S Stowe	50	A D Proctor	50
J M Goode	50	Hat collection,	8 61
W A Thompson	50		
A M Cabaniss	1 00	Total cash	$44 36

On motion, the report on State missions was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Missions, as used among us to-day, means sending the Gospel to those who haven't it. Foreign missions means sending the Gospel to those of foreign countries. Among Southern Baptists, Foreign missions means sending the Gospel to Mexico, Japan, China, Africa, Italy, and South America.

For information concerning this work, we refer you to the "Foreign Mission Journal," published by our Foreign Mission Board at Richmond, Va. Price 35 cents per single copy; 25 cents in clubs of twenty or more. This paper is now published in pamphlet form, and, in addition to letters from our missionaries, contains all desired information as to the management of our Foreign Mission work, as it concerns our home churches and the work among the heathen.

For information concerning the duty of Christians to this work, we refer to the example and teachings of the Apostles and early christians, and especially to the last and great command of our Lord: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." It is a cause of devout thanksgiving to God, that one of our own number is to-day our representative in China. Let our right hands forget their cunning and our tongues

cleave to the roofs of our mouths ere G. P. Bostick shall lack for support in prayers and contributions from the King's Mountain Association.

Respectfully submitted.

F. C. HICKSON,
T. D. LATTIMORE,
Q. M. LEDFORD.

Remarks by Revs. F. C. Hickson, G. M. Webb and J. M. Bridges. Rev. C. Durham read a letter from our missionary in China, addressed to the Association.

The following pledges were made for Foreign missions:

Shelby	$125 00	Long Creek	$ 5 00
Boiling Springs	20 00	Mount Harmony	2 00
New Bethel	50 00	Mount Sinai	2 00
Double Springs	20 00	Mount Zion	5 00
Elizabeth	50 00	Shady Grove	2 00
Bethlehem	25 00	Waco	10 00
Buffalo	20 00	Walls'	2 00
Grover	25 00	Zion	10 00
New Hope	15 00	Zoar	10 00
New Prospect	25 00	King's Mountain	2 50
Patterson's Grove	10 00	Gastonia	25 00
Pleasant Grove	15 00	F. C. Hickson for Gastonia ch.	25 00
Pleasant Hill	5 00	Carpenter's Grove	5 00
Ross' Grove	20 00	Beaver Dam	15 00
Sandy Plains	5 00	Dallas	5 00
Corinth	5 00		
Leonard's Fork	5 00	Total pledges	$570 50
Dallas	5 00		

This amount was supplemented by the following cash collections:

R. L. Limrick	$2 50	J. D. Brumfield	$1 00
C. Durham	1 00	Mrs. E. J. Lovelace	3 00
G. M. Webb	1 00	J. L. Webb	1 00
A. C. Irvin	1 00	J. B. Thorn	1 00
M. L. Putnam	1 00	P. R. Elam	1 00
J. H. Clark	1 00	A. E. Bettis	1 00
J. M. Putnam	1 00	F. C. Hickson	5 00
J. M. Goode	1 00	Mrs. J. M. Putnam	50
P. P. Hoke	1 00	Mrs. T. K. Barnett	50
Mrs. T. D. Lattimore	2 00	Miss C. J. Bostick	1 00
Mrs. S. E. Bostick	1 00	Miss Susan Lattimore	50
Mrs. M. G. Eskridge	1 00		
Mrs. Rachael Weathers	1 00	Total cash	$31 00

On motion, the report on Foreign missions was adopted.

On motion, adjourned until half-past nine to-morrow morning.

Prayer by Bro. Hickson.

SATURDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment the body met at 9.30 A. M. Prayer by Rev. T. Bright.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention, under the management of the Board, located at Atlanta, Ga., embraces seven distinct departments, viz: (1) mission work among the native white population of the South and West; (2) mission work among the Foreign population, coming into the states of the Southern Baptist Convention; (3) mission work among the Indians; (4) mission work in Cuba; (5) mission work among the negroes; (6) building houses of worship; and (7) the publication of a Sunday School literature for the Baptist Sunday Schools of the South, and the publication of "Our Home Field"—all of which we most heartily commend to our churches and Sunday Schools. Let us aid this Board in its great and important work, with our sympathy, prayers and means.

G. M. WEBB,
J. Z. FALLS,
M. L. PUTNAM.

Remarks by Rev. G. M. Webb.

Pledges were made for Home missions, as follows:

Bethlehem	$5 00	New Hope	$2 00
Boiling Springs	5 00	New Prospect	1 00
Buffalo	2 00	Patterson's Grove	3 50
Dallas	2 50	Pleasant Grove	3 00
Double Springs	3 00	Pleasant Hill	5 00
Elizabeth	15 00	Ross' Grove	2 60
Gastonia	15 00	Sandy Plains	4 00
Grover	2 00	Shelby	25 00
Leonard's Fork	1 00	Waco	2 00
Long Creek	2 50	Zion	3 50
Mount Sinai	2 00	Zoar	2 00
Mount Zion	3 00	King's Mountain	1 00
New Bethel	10 00		
Beaver Dam	4 00	Total	$126 60

On motion, the report on Home missions was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Our age is loudly calling for trained intellect to fill every vacancy which occurs. All pursuits and professions in our country are calling for educated men and women to fill them. Doors are opening in every quarter for persons before they have completed their education. Education is a great power in the hands of men to work good or evil. Christian education is a great power for good. We need more Baptist schools in this Baptist land of ours. Our brethren ought to see to it that there is a first-class Baptist teacher in every Baptist community.

We are glad to note the progress of Wake Forest college. Let us rally to her support with our boys and means. She bids fair now to be one of the foremost colleges in the land. Many of our young men should complete their education at Wake Forest college. We need a revival in Christian education. Let us have it.

G. P. HAMRICK,
JNO. E. MCBRAYER,
S. E. BOSTICK.

Remarks by Revs. G. P. Hamrick, J. M. Bridges and T. Bright.

Rev. F. C. Hickson offered the following resolution as an amendment to the report, which was accepted by the committee on Education, viz:

Resolved 1*st*, That this Association try to secure two thousand dollars under the proposition of Bro. Bostwick, of New York city, to enlarge the endowment of Wake Forest College.

Resolved 2nd, That a committee of five, viz: Rev. G. P. Hamrick, H. F. Schenck, T. D. Lattimore, E. B. Hamrick and J. L. Webb be appointed to aid Dr. C. E. Taylor in securing the above amount.

Remarks continued by Revs. C, Durham and J. A. Speight.

Churches pledged for Ministerial Education as follows:

Bethlehem	5 00	New Bethel	10 00
Boiling Springs	5 00	New Prospect	2 00
Dallas	5 00	Ross' Grove	2 00
Elizabeth	5 00	Shelby	50 00
Gastonia	10 00		
Leonard's Fork	1 00	Total	$97 50
Long Creek	$ 2 50		

On motion, the report on Education, as amended, was adopted.

The hour for the special order having arrived, same was taken up and postponed to 2 o'clock this afternoon.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage at Thomasville is the property of the Baptists of North Carolina. It looks to the Baptists for its support. It is doing a grand work in the State in taking care of the poor children who have no father or mother to care for them. These children need our help, as the winter is coming on. They must be taken care of, and the Baptists and friends of the orphans must do it.

Contributions in food, clothing and money are greatly needed at this time. Brethren, let us come up to their help at once and receive the blessing, for it is more blessed to give than to receive, and the Lord loves a cheerful giver.

T. Dixon,
T. J. Dixon,
A. Mauney.

[Committee on Religious Exercise announced preaching at the stand at this hour (11.25 o'clock) by Rev. N. H. Moss.]

Remarks on Baptist Orphanage by Bro. J. H. Mills.

Collection taken for the Orphanage, as follows:

D. D. Lattimore	$1 00	J S Wray	$5 00
H F Schenck	10 00	W A Thompson	5 00
T D Lattimore	5 00	Essy Gladden	1 00
Mrs. E. J. Bovelace	5 00	J M Bridges	1 00
G P Hamrick	5 00	M O Carpenter	1 00
J L Webb	5 00	W H Martin	1 00
M N Hamrick	5 00	A P Hollifield	1 00
Mrs. C. L. Borders	1 00	J M Putnam	1 00
Mrs. T. Dixon	1 00	M L Hamrick	1 00
B H Bridges	2 00	J A Black	1 00
J. L. Bridges	1 00	Miss Mabel Goode	1 00
W B Stroud	1 00	W B Moore	1 00
R N Hawkins	1 00	E Roberts	1 00
C S Stowe	1 00	D O Alexander	1 00
A. E. Bettis	1 00	Mrs T G Borders	1 00
A. N. Long	1 00	R L Allen	1 00
F. H. Bridges	1 00	A P Spake	1 00
G T Bostick	1 00	W E Cornwell	1 00

ORPHANAGE COLLECTIONS—(CONTINUED.)

D. A. F. Hamrick	1 00	J M Gillespie	1 00
E B Hamrick	1 00	J M London	1 00
W. B. Lovelace	1 00	E P Roberts	1 00
J A Stroup	1 00	D J Mauney	1 00
J E McBrayer	1 00	Frances Moore	1 00
S L Gillespie	1 00	Mrs H A Washburn	1 00
Z M McKinney	1 00	D W Blauton	50
Mrs T J Dickson	1 00	D S Lovelace	1 00
J D Brumfield	1 00	A M Cabaniss	1 00
William Walker	1 00	Q M Ledford	1 00
T Dixon	1 00	P P Hoke $1; Hat collec. 4.90	5 90
A S Hoard	1 00		
E L Jenkins	1 00	Total	$102 40

[NOTE.—Several dollars were handed to Bro. Mills whose names do not appear in the foregoing list.]

On motion, the report on Baptist Orphanage was adopted.

On motion, adjourned to 1 o'clock P. M.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The body re-assembled at 1 o'clock P. M.

Waco put in a petition asking this body to convene with them in its session of 1891.

Bro. Webb withdrew his motion in regard to establishing a county line Association.

REPORT ON UNION MEETINGS.

Your committee on Union Meetings beg leave to report that our next meeting be held with Boiling Springs Church, beginning on Friday before the 5th Sunday in March, 1891.

P. D. WILSON,
S. W. ELAM,
J. L. LEDFORD.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The committee on Finance submits the following, as sent up:

For Associational Missions	$ 2 12
For State Missions	123 01
For Home and Indian Missions	88 56
For Foreign Missions	176 29
For Education Missions	52 22
For Orphanage Missions	14 67
For Printing Minutes	47 30
Total amount	$504 17

J. A. ROBERTS,
J. S. WRAY,
W. A. MARTIN.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Your committee on Obituaries reports as follows:

During our last Associational year, there have been fifty-one brethren and sisters who have passed away from this life to that untried world with

others, of which was L. H. McSwain, a beloved brother of Grover church, and W. A. J. Hamrick, a deacon of Elizabeth church. He was much esteemed by his church and Sunday School. There are many others we would like to mention, but time and space will not admit.

As we observe that the old and the young die, it reminds us that we should live as though to-morrow we would die.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be upon those who have been bereaved, although our loss is their eternal gain. Our loss this year is not up with the average annual loss. God be praised.

Respectfully submitted.

J. M. BRIDGES,
R. L. LIMRICK,
R. N. HAWKINS.

On motion, the report on Obituaries was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

We find, on examining the letters sent up from the various churches, that there are nine who give no amount of pastor's salary. At the last meeting of this body 18 failed to report any pastor's salary. While we are encouraged to know that slight amends have been made, we hope and earnestly suggest that at the next meeeting of this Association each and every church will inform us as to how they have been taking care of the Lord's servants, the pastors. We have no hesitancy in saying that no other profession—if a profession it may be called—is so poorly paid as the Baptist ministers of this Association. Brethren, we should feel ashamed that this is so, and we should determine, God helping us, to do more in the way of contributing to our pastors in the future. We should remember that the ministers are the servants of God, that they stand upon the watch-tower and tell us what hour of the night that they have our souls' salvation specially at heart; and too we should remember that the laborer is worthy of his hire, that the liberal soul shall be made fat, and that the Lord loves the cheerful giver.

While the churches are not doing what they should do in this matter, we are pleased to say that this subject is steadily increasing in interest, and the signs of the times bespeak greater interest than ever before. The live, active Baptists of to-day are fully aroused to the importance of sustaining, by their moneys, the Baptist ministers in their midst. His mission is of such a nature that his whole time, talent and energy are indispensable for the teaching of the people. He must be released from the cares and embarrassments of the world. Brethren, let us give this subject careful consideration and see to it that our ministers are fully sustained.

J. L. WEBB,
E. J. LOVELACE,
E. B. HAMRICK.

Remarks by James L. Webb, F. C. Hickson, J. D. Brumfield and J. A. Speight.

On motion, the report on Ministerial Support was adopted.

[Committee on Religious Exercises announced preaching at the stand at 1.30 o'clock P. M., by Rev. R. L. Limrick, followed by Rev. P. R. Elam.]

Walls' and Mount Harmony churches asked for letters of dismission. Same were granted.

On motion, any member of this body attending the session of any corresponding Association, is hereby delegated as corresponding messenger to said Association.

On motion, Rev. G. P. Hamrick was appointed to attend the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention, to be held at Birmingham, Ala., beginning Friday, May 8th, 1891. Rev. F. C. Hickson was appointed as alternate.

The following were appointed as delegates to the Baptist State Convention, viz: Revs. G. P. Hamrick, F. C. Hickson, A. C. Irvin, Thomas Dixon, P. R. Elam, J. M. Bridges, G. M. Webb, and Brethren Jas. L. Webb, J. S. Wray, E. B. Hamrick, E. J. Lovelace, Thomas Kendrick, J. A. Roberts, W. C. Bostic, H. F. Schenck, A. E. Bettis, T. D. Lattimore.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

T. D. LATTIMORE, Treasurer, in account with the King's Mountain Baptist Association:

1889	STATE MISSIONS.		
Sept 21	To amount from Finance Committee		$195 14
" 22	To amount from collection at Association		40 70
1890			
April 14	To amount from New Bethel church		5 00
" 21	To amount from Sandy Run church		3 25
" 22	To amount from Shelby church		17 79
May 20	To amount from Elizabeth church		10 00
	Total amount to date		$271 88
1889			
Sept 25	By paid J D Boushall	$235 84	
1890			
April 22	By paid J D Boushall	26 04	
May 28	By paid J D Boushall	10 00	
			271 88
1889	FOREIGN MISSIONS.		
Sept 21	To amount from Finance Committee		$ 39 27
" 21	To amount from collection at Association		41 04
" 25	To amount received of G S Royster		25
Oct 5	To amount received of Mrs J M Putnam		1 00
" 14	To amount received of Mrs Alice Wilson		1 00
" 17	To amount received of Z M McKinney		2 00
" 28	To amount received of Beaver Dam Church		4 15
" 28	To amount received of Pleasant Grove Church		11 55
Nov 4	To amount received of Rev A C Irvin		5 00
" 12	To amount received of Elizabeth Church		31 30
" 14	To amount received of Mrs Artlissa Hoyle		50
" 17	To amount received of Elpheus Hamrick		1 00
" 17	To amount received of Mrs T D Lattimore		2 00
" 27	To amount received of Mrs T Dixon		1 00
Dec 9	To amount received of Mount Zion Church		3 00
" 10	To amount received of Shelby Church		10 50
" 11	To amount received of Elizabeth Church		9 00
" 11	To amount received of New Hope Church		10 00
1890			
Jan 3	To amount received of Bethlehem Church		12 50
" 10	To amount rec'd of Womans' Mis. Society, Shelby church		13 30
Jan 13	To amount received of Pleasant Grove Church		3 05
" 13	To amount received of Mrs T W Ebeltoft's Shelby S S		8 14

TREASURER'S REPORT—(CONTINUED.)

1890			
Jan 27	To amount received of Beaver Dam Church		$ 1 42
Feb 3	To amount received of Zoar Church		15 00
" 15	To amount received of Grover Church		13 85
" 18	To amount received of Elizabeth Church		5 00
Mar 1	To amount received of Ross' Grove Church		15 25
" 7	To amount receivod of Sandy Plains Church		5 00
" 20	To amount received of Big Springs Church		10 00
Apr 14	To amount received of New Bethel Church		30 00
" 14	To amount received of Mount Olivet Church		1 00
" 14	To amount received of Mount Pleasant Church		5 00
" 14	To amount received of O P Blanton		1 00
" 14	To amount received of Boiling Springs Church		9 41
" 16	To amount received of Leonard's Fork Church		3 00
" 16	To amount received of Shelby Church		21 25
" 16	To amount received of Pleasant Hill Church		6 00
" 21	To amount received of New Prospect Church		25 00
" 21	To amount received of Sandy Run Church		12 00
" 22	To amount received of New Bethel Church		5 00
" 22	To amount received of Shelby Church		46 81
" 22	To amount received of Zion Church		20 00
" 22	To amount received of Long Creek Church		5 00
" 24	To amount received of Elizabeth Church		4 70
" 25	To amount received of Double Springs Church		15 00
" 28	To amount received of Buffalo Church		20 00
" 28	To amount received of Corinth Church		4 22
" 29	To amount received of High Shoals Church		13 35
May 2	To amount received of Z. D. Harrill		1 00
" 2	To amount received of Ross' Grove Church		4 75
" 5	To amount received of Waco Church		13 25
" 27	To amount received of Beaver Dam Church		2 28
June 9	To amount received of Shelby Church		10 00
July 4	To amount received of Beaver Dam Church		1 67
	Total received to date		$ 556 76
1889			
Sept 25	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	$80 56	
Oct 19	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	6 00	
Nov 15	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	20 70	
" 18	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	31 80	
Dec 13	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	34 50	
1890			
Jan 13	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	37 39	
Feb 18	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	35 27	
Mar 20	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	30 25	
Apr 22	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	185 47	
" 26	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	24 70	
" 28	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	20 00	
" 29	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	17 57	
May 28	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	21 28	
July 19	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	11 67	
			$ 556 76

HOME MISSIONS.

1889		
Sept 21	To amount received of Finance committee	$ 79 25
1890		
Jan 13	To amount received of Pleasant Grove Church	2 05
Feb 14	To amount received of High Shoals Church	2 50
Feb 24	To amount received of Beaver Dam Church	1 84
Apr 14	To amount received of New Bethel Church	5 00
" 22	To amount received of Shelby Church	25 00

TREASURER'S REPORT—(CONTINUED.)

1890			
May 20	To amount received of Elizabeth Church		$ 3 50
" 27	To amount received of Sandy Plains Church		4 00
July 14	To amount received of Shelby Church		2 50
	Total received to date		$ 125 64
1889			
Sept 25	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	$79 25	
1890			
Jan 13	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	2 05	
Feb 18	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	2 50	
Mar 26	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	1 84	
Apr 22	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	30 00	
May 28	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	7 50	
July 19	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	2 50	
			$ 125 64

EDUCATION.

1889			
Sept 21	To amount received of Finance committee		$ 70 80
" 21	To amount received at collection of Association		7 81
Dec 14	To amount received of J. F. Schenck		1 00
" 16	To amount received of Zoar Church		1 00
1890			
Feb 1	To amount received of Leonard's Fork Church		1 00
Apr 14	To amount received of New Bethel Church		4 75
Aug 1	To amount received of S. S. Institute, Sandy Run		12 05
	Total received to date		$ 98 41
1889			
Sept 25	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	$ 78 61	
1890			
Jan 13	Ey amount paid J. D. Boushall	2 00	
Feb 18	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	1 00	
Apr 22	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	4 75	
Aug 26	By amount paid J. D. Boushall	12 05	
			$ 98 41

ASSOCIATION MISSIONS.

1889			
Sept 21	Amount to balance last report		$ 2 09
" 21	Amount received of Finance committee		24 04
"	Amount received at collection of Association		23 92
Oct 2	Amount received of Sunday School Convention, Buffalo		4 25
" 2	Amount received of S. S. Institute, High Shoals		5 86
" 26	Amount received of A. P. Spake		50
Dec 30	Amount received of S. S. Institute, Boiling Springs		6 77
1890			
Jan 2	Amount received of Pleasant Grove Church		3 31
Mar 30	Amount received of Waco Church		14 77
June 29	Amount received of Ross' Grove Church		5 48
Aug 31	Amount received of Elizabeth Church		15 32
	Total amount received		$ 106 31
	By amount paid C. Felmet	$ 10 00	
	By amount paid R. L. Limrick	30 35	
	By amount paid J. M. Bridges	36 85	
	By amount paid G M Webb	20 80	
			$ 98 00
	Amount to balance		8 31

BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

1889		
Sept 21	To amount received of Finance Committee	$21 82
" 21	To amount received at collection of Association	79 42
" 25	To amount received of H. F. Schenck	10 00
Oct 7	To amount received of W. B. Lovelace	5 00

TREASURER'S REPORT—(CONTINUED.)

Nov	14	To amount received of D. B. Green		1 00
"	27	To amount received of Mrs. T. Dixon		1 00
Dec	9	To amount received of New Bethel Church		17 15
"	11	To amount received of Shelby Church		16 50
1890				
Mar	5	To amount received of S. L. Gillespie		1 00
"	12	To amount received of Beaver Dam Sunday School		90
		Total amount received		$ 153 79
1889.				
Sept	21	By amount paid J. W. Oliver	$101 24	
Oct	1	By amount paid J. W. Oliver	10 00	
"	19	By amount paid J. W. Oliver	5 00	
Nov	11	By amount paid J. W. Oliver	1 00	
Dec	13	By amount paid J. W. Oliver	34 65	
1890				
Mar	5	By amount paid J. W. Oliver	1 00	
Sept	24	By amount paid J. W. Oliver	90	
				$ 153 79

Respectfully submitted.

T. D. LATTIMORE, Treasurer.

On motion, the Treasurer's Report was adopted.

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REV. G. P. BOSTICK'S LETTER.

To the Brethren and Sisters Composing the King's Mountain Association:

My dear brethren and sisters in the Lord:—In writing this annual letter I want first of all to thank you most heartily for the interest manifested, not in me, but in the cause dearest to my heart—Foreign Misssions. I thank God if I have been in any way the means of stirring up a deeper interest in your hearts. I want to send to you all too, joined with mine, the gratitude which my dear wife, now forever happy with the Lord, felt for what God was doing for you all. I cannot express to you at all how deeply our hearts were touched when we read last fall of the renewed interest manifested in Foreign Missions at your meeting at Elizabeth. Many times did we bow together and in tears thank God for your love and interest for us, and begged God to help and bless you all.

I have been here now little over one year, and what a year it has been! A year of what people generally would call calamity and misfortune. Oh! you can only try to imagine the deep sorrow through which I have passed in my peculiar trials! Many of you can never, never know how hard it has been. Only Jesus, my elder brother, knows the full depth of my affliction. He DOES know, thank God. And yet while I say this I must say that the year has been full of blessings. Never before have I known so fully the power and sweetness of God's grace as in these past three months. I realize a nearness to God not known before. I am not pining away in my sorrow. All my trouble I have cast upon God, and I am happy in what I think is my duty. If you all do God-given duty you will be happy, whatever comes. I say these words not to get your praise, but to magnify the grace of God and to encourage others to trust God.

You want to know what I have done during the year. Up to the death of my dear wife we had labored constantly together on the language. She had learned it rapidly, and was ready to begin teaching a Sunday School class in it the very hour she took to her death bed. My progress is not what I could wish it to have been, but I rejoice and thank God that I can begin now to pray and speak a little publicly in the language. I have baptized eleven persons, who made professions of religion under the work of Bro. Pruett, Sister Crawford and Miss Moon. Pray that these may be faithful and useful. The people generally are not anxious for the Gospel yet. You could not expect them to be very ready to receive it, when they have

been set in their ways of heathenism for thousands of years. Yet we can always find some who are willing to hear it; but we are not to give them the Gospel because they receive it readily, but because Christ commands us to do it. Whether they receive or reject, is with God and them; whether they hear or not is with those who have it. I must continue to study the language; but, poor as I am, can give a part of my time to active work with the people. Now what have you done during the year? You undertook to raise $700 for our support. I feel pretty sure that you have done that much, perhaps more. Are any sorry you undertook it? I feel sure, too, that many of you have prayed for the work here. For this I thank you more than for your money. What are you going to do for the next year? My dear wife is now where she needs no more money—forever rich in glory. I want you all to understand fully about how your money is used. You know that $1,200.00 is the salary for a man and wife. Mrs. Bostick and I knew something of the sacrifice that some of you made to raise our money, and so we had already decided to reduce our salary for next year, but had not decided how much. The Board allows a single man $600.00, and $100.00 a year for a child, besides allowances for teacher, books, traveling expenses in doing mission work, &c., which would make mine all told about $750.00 or $800·00. I have already sent my estimates to the Board for next year and ask for only $450.00 for salary, $100.00 for child, (this I lay by for her education); $60.00 for teacher, $30.00 for traveling, and $20.00 for buying books for learning the language, &c., making in all $660.00—a little less than you all undertook to raise this year. But to go back is not healthy, so I want to ask that you raise the same amount for Foreign Missions next year that you did this $700.00. I want this to be a free-will gift. If you think you can't and ought not to do it don't undertake it. But I believe if the pastors go to their churches and faithfully present the matter, that the people will gladly give it. Don't give it for my sake only, but for Christ's sake and the heathens'. The amount which I ask for as salary may not be sufficient to enable me and child to live comfortably. I am going to try it, and if not sufficient I shall feel free to say so. My child, though in America, is to be fed and clothed. I gladly give up this $150.00 of my salary and make the effort to live on less. That is nearly one-fourth as much as I ask you. 6,000 Baptists to do for Foreign Missions, and hundreds of you make more money than I would if I should receive the $600.00. The heathen world is never going to have the Gospel until those who have it are ready to make sacrifices to give it to them.

There is one poor woman here who I think is saved through the influence of my dear wife, and several men whom she had powerfully influenced. If you, who helped to support her in her brief life here, shall see even one poor Chinaman in heaven through what you have done, will it not pay to labor on? We know that God will reward the faithful. If you can give only five cents, and do it for Christ's sake, God will bless you in it. My dear brethren, God has wrought great changes in this year. This is a world of change and disappointment. Perhaps before you meet in another annual meeting He will call me home. I know not. But if He should, I want that you shall continue, one and all who are left, to do more and more for Him, until one by one we shall all be called, and then oh! how sweet to meet and rest forever in the Lord!

Be faithful, brethren, to God, and He will be good to you. May your meeting be the best you have ever had. May the Spirit of God be with you, and guide you onward and upward in every department of work. I shall pray with and for you when you assemble, and often before and after.

Pray for the success of God's work here. When you all pray for it then you will all love to give to it.

"The love of God, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen."

Fraternally and faithfully,

G. P. BOSTICK.

Tung Chowfu, China,
August 12th, 1890.

Post-office: Chefoo, China.

Rev. F. C. Hickson moved that next session of this

body be held with the Gastonia church, Gaston county, N. C. Rev. P. R. Elam moved, as an amendment to Bro. Hickson's motion, that the Association meet next year with the church at Waco. Remarks by Revs. F. C. Hickson, T. Dixon, C. Durham and P. R. Elam.

Upon a vote of the body, the Association decides to hold its next annual session with the church at Waco, Cleveland county, N. C., 8 miles east of Shelby, on the Carolina Central Railroad.

Rev. F. C. Hickson was appointed to preach the introductory sermon, with Rev. J. M. Bridges, alternate.

On motion, the Association dispensed with the Union Meetings, recalling the appointment to meet with the Boiling Springs church in March, 1891.

On motion of J. A. Roberts, the Association will convene in its next annual session on Tuesday before the 4th Sunday in September, 1891.

On motion, the pastors of this Association are requested to take collections in their respective churches for the purpose of aiding the King's Mountain church [a new organization] in building a house of worship.

On motion, the body tenders its hearty thanks to the Zion church and community for their extreme kindness and hospitality in entertaining the Association during its session.

On motion, the collection on to-morrow will be applied to Associational Missions and Education, giving the Associational Mission Board enough to liquidate all outstanding claims against it.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Your Board of Associational Missions report that they have contracted to pay, during the present year, to Corinth church $40.00. Other churches have asked for aid, but owing to the means at our command we have not been able to help them.

T. D. LATTIMORE,
E. J. LOVELACE, } Committee.
J. S. WRAY.

On motion, the report was adopted and the present Board continued.

On motion, the Clerk was authorized to superintend the printing and distribution of Minutes, retaining ten dollars of Minute fund for his services.

On motion, the Association adjourned.

Prayer by Bro. Hickson.

H. F. SCHENCK, Moderator.

D. S. LOVELACE, Clerk.

SUNDAY'S EXERCISES.

Early on Sunday morning the people were summoned in the house by the sound of music.

At ten o'clock A. M., Rev. F. C. Hickson preached a forcible sermon from 2nd Timothy, 1st chapter and 12th verse. The minds of the audience seemed riveted upon the speaker during his discourse.

At 11 A. M., Rev. C. Durham rose to address the congregation, when, at the suggestion of some of the brethren, both speaker and audience repaired to the stand in the grove, where, under the disadvantages of inclement weather, accompanied by a gale from the North, he addressed the throng by dwelling on the latter part of Bro. Hickson's text. The sermon was one of great interest to all who could hear. At close of sermon a collection was taken amounting to $30.54.

At 11.15, a number of people finding that all could not hear preaching at the stand, requested preaching in the house, Rev. G. P. Hamrick responded, reading his text at the 6th verse of the 12th chapter of Judges, and taking a collection at close of sermon of $5.09.

After a recess of one hour for refreshments, the people re-assembled at the house, when Rev. J. A. Speight stood in the door and preached both to those in the house and to those in the yard. His sermon was full of the solemnity of his text, which can be found at the 26th verse of the 16th chapter of Matthew.

Thus ended the 39th annual session of this body.

CLERK.

Constitution of the King's Mountain Baptist Association.

We, the united Baptist churches of Jesus Christ, located partly in the states of North Carolina and South Carolina, having all been inmersed upon a profession of our faith in Christ, propose to maintain the order and rules of an Association according to the following plan:

ARTICLE 1st. This Association shall be known by the name of the King's Mountain Baptist Association.

2nd. This Association shall be composed of such members as shall be chosen and recommended by the churches in union.

3rd. Other churches may become members of this Association by their delegates presenting certificates of their appointment, provided on examination they be found orthodox.

4th. The Association shall organize by electing a Moderator and Clerk, who shall hold their appointments until another election, unless displaced by the body.

5th. This Association, as an act of christian courtesy, may invite ministers of our denomination to seats with us in council.

6th. This Association, when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum, which they are authorized to form for themselves.

7th. This Association hath an inalienable right to judge what churches shall be admitted into its confederacy.

8th. The Association thus formed shall be regarded by us only in the light of an advisory council, with no coercive power "to lord it over God's heritage."

9th. This Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in its connection that shall hold corrupt doctrines or indulge in sinful or vicious practices.

10th. Every church in union having a membership not exceeding fifty in number, shall be entitled to a representation of two delegates, and one additional delegate for every increase of fifty over that number.

11th. The primary object of this Association shall be "to strive for the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace" amongst the churches, the employment of domestic missionaries, and to keep up the statistical accounts of the churches in its connection, and finally, to concentrate our efforts for the Redeemer's kingdom on earth, and for the deposition of the works of darkness.

12th. None but the members of this body shall be allowed a vote in its councils, and a majority shall decide in disposing of and settling all business that may constitutionally come before them.

13th. This Association in all cases disclaim the right, in its associate capacity, to settle church difficulties, but when a division occurs and two parties equally claim to be the church, and represent themselves by letter and delegates, this Association shall have the right to decide at the first or some future meeting of its body thereafter, which party shall be recognized as the constitutional church, and entitled to a seat in council.

14th. The Minutes of the Association shall be read each day and corrected, if need be, by the body, and when the business shall be gone through with, signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

15th. Any article of this Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting, by a majority of two-thirds of the delegates present voting for the same.

Rules of Decorum.

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. The Moderator shall be deemed a judge of order, and shall have a right to call to order at any time; also it shall be his duty to see that the Rules of Order are attended to; to take the opinion of the Association on all questions properly brought before the body.

3. Any member not being satisfied with his decision on any point of

order, may appeal to the Association on the same day the decision is made, but at no other time.

4. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular record of the transactions of the Association.

5. But one person shall speak at a time, and he shall rise to his feet and obtain leave of the Moderator, and when he has done speaking he shall sit down, and shall not speak more than twice on the same question, nor more than twenty minutes at a time, unless he obtain permission of the Association.

6. The Moderator, when addressed for leave of speech, shall signify the same by naming of them, or otherwise.

7. No member shall be interrupted while speaking, unless he depart from the subject on hand, or use words of personal reflection, or with a view of calling to order for some particular purpose. Any motion made and seconded, shall come under the consideration of the Association, except withdrawn by him who made it.

8. Every case taken up by the Association shall be decided first, before another is offered.

9. When anything is taken up by the Association, after allowing time for the debate, the Moderator shall put the question; and those in favor of the thing proposed shall rise to their feet, and those opposed to it, keep their seats: the Moderator shall procure the decision before those standing take their seats.

10. No person being a member shall depart the service of the Association without leave.

11. The appellation of "Brother" shall be used in our addresses to each other.

12. The names of the members shall be called as often as necessary.

13. No member shall be indulged in any practice that has a tendency to interrupt in the time of a public speech, or any other practice that would dishonor the Association.

14. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any other member, provided he appoints some other member to his seat while he is speaking, but shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided, then he shall give the casting vote.

15. Any person breaking these rules of order shall be reproved at the discretion of the Association, but only on the day the breach was made.

Abstract of Principles.

1. We believe in one only true and living God—the Father, Son and Holy Ghost—three in one.

2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only true rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

4. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will and holiness.

5. We believe in the doctrine of Election, through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the Truth.

6. We believe that sinners are justified id the sight of God, only by the merit of Jesus Christ.

7. We believe the saint shall persevere in grace, and not fall finally away.

8. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers who have been immersed upon a profession of faith are the only proper subjects for the Lord's table.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. and general judgment.

10. We believe that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

11. We believe that no minister has a right to the administration of the ordinances, only such as has been called of God, as was Aaron, and regularly baptized and approved of by the church, and come under the imposition of hands by a Presbytery.

STATISTICAL

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	PASTORS.	Sabbaths of Preaching	Addit'ns.			Dimi't's.			No. of Males
				No. Baptized.	Rec'd by Let.	Restored.	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	No. of Deaths	
Beaver Dam	C C Hamrick, Shelby N C	A P Hollifield	4	22	20	2	9	1	5	11
*Bethel	G B Pruett, Ellenboro "	Z D Harrell	2	11	7	1	13	..	1	5
Bethlehem	J F Herndon, King's M'tn., "	P R Elam	3	7	..	..	18	1	3	6
*Big Springs	John C Gettys, Duncan "	G W Rollins	3	..	6	..	2	..	1	3
Boiling Springs	D S Lovelace, Boil. Springs, "	A C Irvin	1	18	10	1	10	4	..	12
Buffalo	A H Moore, Blacksburg. S C	R L Limrick	4	8	2	9	7	6	5	8
Carpent's Grove	A B Peeler, Knob Creek N C	R L Limrick	1	2	1	..	..	..	..	2
*Concord	Marion J Green, Bostick "	G W Rollins	1	6	8	1	10	..	2	8
Corinth	J A Wray, Jugtown "	G M Webb	4	...	..	..	2	..	..	2
Dallas	C S Stowe, Dallas "	F C Hickson	4	...	..	..	3	..	1	1
Double Springs	J L McSwain, Lattimore's "	G W Rollins	2	14	2	..	11	1	..	7
Elizabeth	G W Kendrick, Shelby "	J M Bridges	2	6	5	1	9	..	2	7
*Fair View	J P Whisnant, Golden "	Z D Harrell	3	...	5	..	11	..	1	4
Gastonia	J D Brumfield, Gastonia "	F C Hickson	1&3	20	26	..	2	..	..	3
Grover	W C Bostick, Grover "	T Dixon	4	13	11	..	4	5	1	5
*Henrietta	J H Hamrick, Henrietta "	T Bright	3	54	40	..	14	3	..	6
*High Shoal	S F Harrell, Henrietta "	T Bright	4	26	10	2	1	1	1	11
†King's Mount'n	P P Hoke, King's Mount'n. "			...	..	..	..	..	..	...
Leonard's Fork	Wm H Hoover, Crouse "	R L Limrick	2	6	1	..	2	..	1	1
Long Creek	Chas S Stowe, Dallas "	G M Webb	3	26	1	4	7	1	1	11
*Mt. Harmony	J L Padgett, Sunshine "	A P Hollifield	3	32	7	4	7	2	1	7
*Mt. Olivet	J G Blanton, Hollis "	R N Hawkins	1	...	..	1	5	5	2	1
*Mt. Pleasant	J D Simmons, Mooresboro "	A C Irvin	2	12	7	..	10	6	1	9
Mt. Sinai	S Wylie, Stice's Shoal "	E J Bridges	3	7	..	1	9	2	..	3
Mt. Vernon	F J Leatherman, Hull's X Roads	J L Shinn	4	16	5	2	1	2	..	4
Mt. Zion	S L Dellinger, Cherryville "	A P Hollifield	2	...	9	1	10	3	2	5
New Bethel	H F Schenck, Clevel'd Mills, "	Thos Dixon	2	1	5	2	8	3	..	6
New Hope	W D Earl, Earl Station "	P R Elam	2	15	2	4	6	3	5	9
†New Prospect	J C Hoyle, Shelby "	T Dixon	3	32	3	1	3	..	..	...
Patterson's Grove	N W Ross, King's Mount'n. "	C F Felmet	1	17	9	..	11	3	..	5
Pleasant Grove	R W Gardner, Beam's Mills "	A P Hollifield	1	9	15	2	14	2	3	9
Pleasant Hill	J A Roberts, Swang's "	G M Webb	1	21	17	3	4	2	..	8
Ross' Grove	A P Spake, Shelby "	J M Bridges	4	9	10	1	2	4	..	5
Sandy Plains	J C Bridges, New House "	R N Hawkins	3	6	2	2	15	6	1	5
*†Sandy Run	W B Lovelace, Mooresboro "	A C Irvin	1&3	30	20	3	7	3	1	...
Shady Grove	R B Hicks, Cherryville "	S A Bridges	1	...	..	..	1	22	1	1
Shelby	D A Beam, Shelby "	G P Hamrick	E.S.	17	12	7	30	..	3	11
*Union	E Z Champion, Camp Call "	T J Moss	4	14	8	1	4	2	..	2
Waco	N B Kendrick, Waco "	T Bright	1	..	7	..	6	7	1	6
*Walls	W T Davis, Bostick "	E J Bridges	4	3	7	1	3	9	1	7
Zion	A J Irvin, Shelby "	T Dixon	1	1	4	..	3	1	1	6
†‡ Zion Hill	William Crow			...	..	..	..	..	..	...
Zoar	S J Weaver, Sharon "	C F Felmet	3	26	11	..	2	1	3	6
Total				507	315	57	296	111	51	243

For Associational Missions, Carpenter's Grove gave $2; Elizabeth gave [illegible]; Sandy Run

The above table shows an increase of 385 members over last year's membership. Also a

† King's Mountain, New Prospect, Sandy Run and Zion Hill did not give No. of males

members of equaling the grand total of 6,783.

NOTE.—The twelve churches that took letters of dismission, reduces the total 2,089, lea

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Dimi't's. Dis. by Letter	Excluded	No. of Deaths	No. of Males....	No. of Females.	Total Number..	Pastor's Salary.	State Missions..	Home and Indian Missions	Foreign Missi'ns	Ministerial Education	Bap. Orphanage	Chur. Expenses.	Other Objects...	Minute Fund...	Total Contributions
9	1	5	110	163	273	$ 100 00	$ 4 00	$ 4 00	$ 9 52	$2 00		$ 38 20		$1 80	$ 159 52
13	..	1	55	86	141	80 00	5 00		10 00	2 00			10 00	1 25	108 25
18	1	3	60	89	149	100 00	5 00		25 00					2 00	132 00
2	..	1	35	74	109	95 85	5 00		10 00	2 00	50		$7 00	1 15	121 50
10	4	..	124	173	297	102 21	25 00		40 00	2 37	$2 00	10 69		1 50	183 77
7	6	5	89	102	191	100 00	5 00		25 00	2 50		15 00		1 50	149 00
..	..	..	26	35	61	60 00						2 00	5 00	70	69 70
10	..	2	87	128	215		5 00	3 50	25 00	2 00	10 00		10 80	1 20	57 50
2	..	..	24	27	51	100 00	2 00		5 00	1 00			30 00	50	138 50
3	..	1	12	21	33	150 00		5 00	10 00			7 00		1 00	173 00
11	1	..	77	125	202	125 00	10 00	5 00	20 00			17 00	7 80	2 00	186 80
9	..	2	76	84	160	125 00	10 00	3 50	51 05				16 54	1 10	209 19
11	..	1	42	51	93	40 00	1 00		5 00				3 00	45	49 45
2	..	..	32	51	83	380 00			25 00			35 00	58 50	1 50	500 00
4	5	1	57	102	159	80 00	3 00		25 00	2 00				85	110 85
14	3	..	64	86	150	150 00	3 00		5 00	3 00			25 00	1 00	187 00
1	1	1	118	173	291	100 00	2 00	2 50	15 00	2 00			13 00	1 80	136 30
..	..	..			36			1 00						75	1 75
2	..	1	19	37	56	65 00	1 00		5 00	1 00	1 00			45	73 45
7	1	1	111	125	236	85 00	10 00		5 00	1 00				95	101 95
7	2	1	71	119	190	40 00	1 00		2 00	1 00			7 00	85	51 85
5	5	2	13	22	35		1 00	1 00	2 00					50	4 50
10	6	1	94	172	266	100 00	5 00	3 50	5 00	1 00	6 00	50 00	4 20	1 05	175 75
9	2	..	33	38	71				1 00			2 05		1 10	4 15
1	2	..	44	76	120	60 00		3 50		1 00		17 00	8 00	50	90 00
10	3	2	55	117	172		2 28	2 00	5 00		2 50	100 00	2 95	1 20	115 93
8	3	..	65	109	174	100 00	15 00	13 18	55 00	10 00	17 15	8 75	6 62	2 00	227 70
6	3	5	93	137	230	77 00		2 00	10 00		1 97	30 17	1 05	1 85	124 04
3	..	..			284	100 00	6 00		25 00	2 00		17 00		1 30	151 30
11	3	..	50	60	110	75 00	4 00		10 00					75	89 75
14	2	3	93	150	243	100 00		4 00	15 00	2 00			3 95	1 50	126 45
4	2	..	81	93	174		2 00		10 00			1 00		75	13 75
2	4	..	51	70	121	75 00	3 00		20 00			28 65	28 15	1 00	155 80
15	6	1	56	150	206			4 00	5 00					65	9 65
7	3	1			331	175 00	10 00	7 27	12 85	5 91	5 00	24 25		2 50	244 90
1	22	1	13	17	30	31 00			1 00			2 00		25	34 25
30	..	3	114	133	247	800 00	25 16	27 50	110 00	15 00	16 50	4200 00	57 21	2 00	5253 37
4	2	..	27	64	91		1 00		5 00					65	6 65
6	7	1	64	70	134	100 00	4 00		15 00	2 00		75 00		70	196 70
3	9	1	72	105	177				1 30					55	1 85
3	1	1	60	103	163	75 00	5 00	3 50	20 00			40 00		1 45	144 95
..	..	..			78										
2	1	3	68	82	150	75 00		3 50	15 00	1 00			21 70	1 50	122 70
96	111	51	2435	3619	6783	4,021 06	180 44	$ 99 45	660 72	63 78	62 62	4720 76	327 47	48 05	10195 47

Sandy Run gave $2.12, and Zoar Church gave $5.

hip. ... so an increase of $2,015.05 in total collections. * Took letters of dismission.

No. of males and females separately. Hence total male and females added lacks 729

‡ Taken from last year's report.

al 2,089, leaving a total membership of 4,694.

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Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST-OFFICES.	No. of officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Av'g Attendance.	School Expenses.	Contributed by School.	No. quarter'l's and papers taken.
Beaver Dam	B H Bridges, Lattimore's N C	15	165	60	$15 43	$ 7 34	
Bethel	A S Harrell, Ellenboro "	5	70	...	10 00		65
Bethlehem	C S Elam, King's Mountain, "	8	40	25	6 00		65
Big Springs	John C Gettys, Duncan "	5	30	20	4 50		35
Boiling Springs	D S Lovelace, Boiling Springs "	12	150	130	20 00		105
Buffalo	R E Porter, Blacksburg S C	14	128	60	6 00		80
Carpent's Grove	A B Peeler, Knob Creek N C	7	40	20			
Concord	A L Smart, Bostic "	14	76	40	6 50		60
Corinth	W A Wray, Jugtown "	5	25	...	3 00	3 00	
Dallas	S D Brown, Dallas "	7	30	22	8 43		50
Double Springs	W W Washburn, Lattimore's "	10	125	100	19 92	27 17	125
Elizabeth	I B Allen, Shelby "	9	100	40	19 75	29 73	126
Fair View	J P Jones, Golden "	11	35	...	3 10		
Gastonia	J D Moore, Gastonia "	6	75	...	12 63	11 20	125
Grover	D R Bird, Grover "	9	70	38	6 00		
High Shoal	W B Huntley, Henrietta "	8	90	...			
Leonard's Fork	C D Weaver, Crouse "	5	30	...			
Long Creek	T J Wallace	7	48	30	3 41		60
Mt. Harmony	J W Walker, Sunshine "	14	50	40			
Mt. Olivet	O A Hamrick, Hollis "	6	38	25			30
Mt. Pleasant	J R Jolly, Mooresboro "	12	56	...	9 70		85
Mt. Sinai	D D Harrell, Sharon "	5	30	20	2 50		25
Mt. Zion	S L Dellinger. Cherryville "	9	49	...	1 89	2 43	65
New Bethel	T J Ramseur, Cleveland Mills, "	12	84	48	7 82	7 13	80
New Hope	J H Quinn, Earl Station "	7	90	75	5 77	6 00	105
Patterson's Grove	A M Ross	17	68	45	3 00	3 00	
Pleasant Grove	R W Gardner, Beam's Mills, "	8	60	40	5 00	5 00	40
Pleasant Hill	M L Putnam, Shelby "	7	60	40	6 00		30
Ross' Grove	A P Spake, Shelby "	8	60	40	7 00		60
Sandy Plains	L S Jenkins, New House "	7	45	45	5 00		150
Sandy Run	D A F Hamrick, Lattimore's, "	12	130	80	20 50		140
Shady Grove	W T Devine. Waco "	5	37	21			
Shelby	T D Lattimore, Shelby "	15	150	...	112 04	112 04	275
Union	E Z Champion, Camp Call "	9	114	70	9 00	3 00	141
Waco	F M Miller, Waco "	11	58	...	12 00		60
Zion	F P Gold, Shelby "	7	80	...	5 00		80
Zoar	J M Putnam, Shelby "	11	60	50		11 75	57
Total		339	2646		356 89	228 79	2319